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ABSTRACT

The Community Design movement advocates that mismanagement of the physical environment is a major factor contributing to social and economic ills of a community. This book provides the proven tools and techniques for bringing community members into the community design process successfully and productively. It offers 15 case studies chronicling community design projects around the world; provides coverage of educational, housing, and urban and rural environments; describes proven and culture-neutral approaches to educating participants in their design options and the consequences of their choices; and presents checklists, worksheets, questionnaires, and other tools to assist in the community design effort. The information provided emphasizes the participatory process and the specific techniques applied to each project, including the stages of participation, who should participate, and the consequences of participation. (Contains 173 references.) (GR)

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